

Today

Hell's Mouth Discovered.  
Wholesale Cheap, Retail Dear.  
When Do We Begin Dynamiting  
Germany?  
How Is THIS Weather?

We have discovered in Alaska, the world's greatest volcanic crater. A huge valley in which sulphur smoke pours from a million vents is announced as the world's greatest wonder.

The Indians call it the mouth of hell and "Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes." A great deal would be written about this, except for the war, which makes Alaska's mouth of ten thousand bells and volcanoes as dull as a sewing society.

It appears that one-third of the ammunition sent to Pershing was defective and useless because of "chemical trouble." But it was nobody's fault. Does this kind of thing happen to ammunition of Germany, for instance, and if it does happen is it "nobody's fault?" We doubt it.

Eleven billions voted, and not a single vote against the bill. "Are we discouraged? No, no, no!"

How does Mr. Hohenzollern feel this morning, when he sees the depth of the pocketbook open to the allies. A country that can supply easily ten millions of men and fifty billions of dollars and have plenty of men and dollars left is not a country that any little gentleman on the banks of the Spree should stir up unnecessarily.

Mr. Cannon "persuades" House to exempt forever from taxation interest on bonds not in excess of Five Thousand Dollars.

A long word that—"forever." Before "forever" is half finished the question of interest on bonds won't interest anybody. And this planet will have become cosmic dust—Mr. Cannon also.

We heard something about fixing the price of coal at two or three dollars "at the mines." Coal gentlemen in Washington recently added one dollar to the price of pea coal, the smallest and cheapest kind, harrising buckwheat. "Three dollars at the mine, seven dollars in the front yard" reads sweetly to the middleman.

We fix a lower price for wheat, and people pay a higher price for bread.

We fix a lower price for coal, and the coal man says, "Bully for me. I'll add another dollar to the price." Is there any way, Mr. Hoover, gentleman of great efficiency, dictator of the people's welfare, to put some of that efficiency into CHEAPER RETAIL PRICES?

Lufbery, American air fighter in the Lafayette squadron, has brought down twelve German flying machines. "C'est magnifique, mais ce n'est pas la guerre," as E. B. McLean's Rylg Grannon would say. Fancy stunts are not SOLID WAR.

This country ought to have at the earliest possible moment twenty-five thousand Lufberys flying over German soil all the time, dropping dynamite on every village and in every front yard. What Germany needs is dynamite "horribleness" from the air. Nice little duels between gentlemen in wigs of the last century, nice little duels between gentlemen in the air on the German frontier have little to do with real war.

The country doesn't need an individual hero with a record for bringing down machines, but twenty-five thousand dynamite-carrying workmen, working night and day.

HOW SOON WILL THE COUNTRY START THEM?

The German Emperor, traveling through Brussels on his way to Flanders requested the Belgian populace to show its joy by displaying many flags—German flags. The populace pulled down the blinds instead and the German Emperor was hurt "to the innermost soul." Tactful Hohenzollern, he probably asks himself, "If you can't win a nation's love by killing its women and children, how in the name of the 'Sieges Allee' can you win it?"

By the way, just how far in would you have to go to reach that Hohenzollern "innermost soul?"

Government is not going to fix the price of meat. Many thanks for that. An announcement that beef must cost two and a half cents a pound "at the farm" would be a signal for all butchers to raise the price seven and a half cents a pound at the butcher shop. Regulated price thr. raises the retail cost is one of the few good jokes produced by this war.

"Billions more needed." You will get those words by heart, for you are going to see them often while this war lasts, and for a while after it stops.

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# Russians Rally To Defend Capital From Foes' Ships

## U. S. OFFICER KILLED BY AIR RAIDER

### AMERICA WILL WIN---Lloyd George

### SESSION IS UNLIKELY TO END BEFORE OCTOBER 15

#### Congress Disregards President's Wish for Early Adjournment So Members Can Stump Country on War Aims.

By DAVID LAWRENCE.  
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President Wilson wants Congress to adjourn promptly and tell the American people what the members have learned about the conduct of the war and its objects, but unless the President expresses his desire more emphatically, and unless the speed-up process is taken up in earnest, there will be no adjournment before October 15 or possibly the first of November.

This is because Congress is proceeding more or less leisurely and because no organized movement has begun to complete the business in hand. Nor is there any deliberate effort in either house to block adjournment, though a bi-partisan group in the Senate shows symptoms of obstruction that can be expected to materialize if the executive branch of the Government translates its present request into insistence.

Congress Drifting Along.  
The fact that nobody seems to be worrying about a program and dates for completing it indicates clearly that Congress is drifting along and can be expected to continue doing it, with some one protesting about something extraneous or advocating something else equally irrelevant, and with no group of leaders particularly interested in hurrying adjournment.

The House is much better off than the Senate. It could adjourn in a week or ten days if the Senate took a notion to clear decks. The Senate hasn't touched the \$4,000,000,000 deficiency bill, nor has it had the \$11,000,000,000 bond bill passed by the House. The big revenue raising bill is to be voted on next Monday, and there is likelihood thereafter of a fight on the soldiers' insurance bill. Denial of the Capitol do not see how all this can be accomplished before October 1, even if the Executive accelerator is introduced.

Had Things to Say.  
When some suggestion was advanced recently of a recess instead of adjournment, a few Senators from the South and Southwest promptly had things to say about a possible loss of mileage to their pocketbooks, which (Continued on Page 3, Col. 4.)

#### LAST MARRIAGE "HELL," SAYS MILLIONAIRE GIRL

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Mrs. Frances Genevieve Hannan Brand, "the millionaire girl of Peacock alley," characterized her latest marriage, which James H. Brand is seeking to have annulled on a charge of fraud, as "hell."

The examination of Mrs. Brand by Max D. Steuer, her husband's attorney, brought to light a letter she had written to her husband's brother saying "Now you can see the hell I went through with Jim."

Mrs. Brand is determinedly holding on to her woman's right of concealment to her age. Although she admitted that she was "between twenty-three and twenty-four years of age," it was proved that she married her first husband, Albert V. Valsden, at Washington, Ga., in 1908.

GOMPERS HEADS ALLIANCE.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 7.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was elected president of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy today.

### GOING AGAINST THE CURRENT

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All over the United States and in Chicago especially, where the mayor is pro-Hohenzollern. The pro-German boat is having a rough passage.

#### FIANCEE, NOT WIFE, OF WHITMAN, SAYS MRS. NINA BULL

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 7.—"I was most assuredly not the wife of Harold Whitman. I had not been secretly married to him. It is not usual to be the wife of two men at the same time, and while I have had a legal separation from Mr. Bull for eight years, my divorce is still to be granted."

Police Are Baffled.  
Thus, Mrs. Nina T. Bull, in the first interview that she has given since coming to Melrose from her Arlington, Va., home, refutes all suggestion that she may have been secretly married to Harold A. Whitman, the former Government chemist of Washington, D. C., whose death came as the result of an assault on Saturday that is still baffling the police.

Mrs. Bull explains the "loving husband" and "Nina Whitman" letters found on the body in the same emphatic manner that she denied any possibility of a marital tie. "I used the names only as a term of endearment," she said. "When people are as close to one another as we were, I believe it is not unusual to use terms just between themselves that they never expect the outside world to know about, and I never expected that the world would know of these letters."

#### President Buries Face in Melons, Spurning Forks

President Wilson loves watermelon dearly, and he eats it in the old-fashioned way, diving his face into the juicy red pulp and taking good mouthfuls each time. Forks are spurned by him, and his forbids watermelon being brought with the kind cut away and only the heart left.

Some of his Southern admirers have sent him big melons this summer, and he has got failed to appreciate the thoughtfulness by doing his bit in the way of enjoyment.

When there have been no melons from friends, he has ordered their purchase in Washington.

#### BUFFALO MAY OUST MISS FOTHERINGHAM

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 7.—If Dr. Henry P. Emerson, superintendent of education, has his way, Miss Margaret Fotheringham, arrested with other members of the National Woman's Party for picketing the White House, will be dismissed as a teacher of domestic science in the Buffalo public schools.

#### ADMITS HE POINTED GUN AT WIFE, BUT IT WASN'T LOADED

Denying the charges of his wife, Rosina V. Brooke, that she was compelled to desert him because of his cruelty, and stating that she deserted him because of her infatuation for another man, whom he names, Lloyd A. Brooke today filed his answer to the suit for maintenance recently begun by Mrs. Brooke. Justice McCoy postponed the hearing until next Wednesday.

Brooke admits he pointed a shot gun at Mrs. Brooke, as charged in her petition, but says it was not loaded. He also admits he pawned her diamond ring, but says it was with her consent and that she took it from her finger and gave it to him for this purpose. Brooke denies the charge that he brought home cyanide of potassium and threatened to put it in food.

All of their troubles Brooke contends are due to his wife's infatuation for the "other man" named, with whom, he states, she continued to associate despite his protestations. Brooke states he even went so far as to sell the home they were buying at 3524 Tenth street northwest, and moved from the neighborhood to get his wife away from the man, but that he continued to be attentive to her.

#### SENATE AGAIN DEFEATS LA FOLLETTE TAX PLAN

The Senate today again defeated wealth conservationists by rejecting, 19 to 55, Senator La Follette's amendment increasing income tax rates so as to raise \$643,000,000 more than the Finance Committee's plan.

### ALL CLASSES IN PETROGRAD PREPARE TO REPELE ENEMY

#### Russians on Battle Front Eagerly Ask Red Cross Men When American Troops Are Coming to Their Aid.

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD

PETROGRAD, Sept. 7.—Petrograd is preparing for a possible German attack.

Red placards scattered everywhere on walls and buildings today called on all Russians to do their duty.

Troops are passing through the streets en route to the front to repel the invader. But the populace remains quiet and apparently unworried. No panic is visible.

Riga's Fall Arouses People.  
Riga's fall has electrified the city. It was not the shock of fear, however, but rather a powerful impetus to patriotic sentiment inspiring determination to fight.

Regiments which yesterday passed in review before Premier Kerensky as they entrained for the front where the Germans are now battering forward, drew a tremendous ovation from the Petrograd populace. Kerensky himself was cheered to an echo by the troops and crowds.

The popular belief that the conspiracy was of the monarchist was supported in the arrests of two grand dukes already announced. One other report circulated today was that the wife of the Grand Duke Jean Constantinovitch, son of the former Czar's uncle, the Grand Duke Constantine had been implicated in the plot and taken into custody. She was formerly the Princess Hylene of Serbia.

Americans Are Heroes.  
American Red Cross workers are heroes everywhere. Under General Korniloff's orders, McCarthy, Drew Whipple, and Perney, of the Red Cross, visited the battle front, where they received a great ovation, especially from the Siberians and Caucasians, many of whom wanted to know when the American troops were coming.

The Red Cross men are worrying only about scarehead stories on the Russian situation, which they understand are appearing in America. They asked the United Press to assure their American headquarters they are all right.

At the front the Red Cross workers gave an exhibition of handling wounded from the trenches to the (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

#### Premier Who Hails Us As Savior



DAVID LLOYD GEORGE.

The British premier makes the encouraging statement, that America, undefeated, will win this war for the allies.

### U-BOATS CAN'T WIN, SAYS PREMIER

BIRKENHEAD, England, Sept. 7.—"America has never known defeat—and on this occasion, too, she will triumph," was the confident declaration of Premier Lloyd George here today that swayed a great crowd to thunderous applause.

The British premier admitted news from Russia was "disquieting," but he declared his complete confidence that Russian leaders would "repair the machine now under fire."

Germans Have Failed.  
Lloyd George spoke in accepting the freedom of the city.

The premier reiterated his expressed defiance of the German submarine campaign.

"I am absolutely convinced," he declared with emphasis, "that the submarines will never be able to beat down the empire's strength nor the allies' hopes."

### HOSPITALS BOMBED IN DAYLIGHT AIR RAIDS

#### Victims Members of Harvard and St. Louis Medical Units Caring for French Wounded at Rouen.

(By the United Press.)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, Sept. 7.—An American officer was killed and five members of his staff wounded in a deliberate bombardment on Tuesday by German airmen of an American hospital on the French coast.

Ten patients in the hospital were wounded.

The American officer killed was an American medical corps man attached to the Harvard hospital unit. Three members of this officer's staff were severely wounded. One man in the hospital served by a St. Louis unit was wounded.

#### British Bombed Also.

Of the sixteen wounded at the Harvard unit's hospital five were members of the American staff and ten were patients.

The hospital of the Harvard unit suffered the greatest damage. Only one bomb fell on St. Louis unit's hospital.

The Harvard unit, however, was subject to a heavier attack. In addition to the American hospitals a British military hospital was bombed.

Like the bombardment of hospitals nearer the front during the past few days, the attacks were deliberate. Informed by the United Press of the death of an American officer is a British field hospital, the War Department this afternoon immediately sent a request to headquarters in France for detailed information. No official report on the fatality had come from General Pershing.

#### CAMP-TRAINED TO GET QUARTERMASERS' JOBS

Announcements was made at the War Department today that the quartermaster officers' reserve corps is complete, and that any vacancies occurring will be filled from the ranks of young men who attended the various training camps throughout the country and have qualified for the duties required of quartermasters with troops.

A great many requests for commissions have been received, but each of the applicants has been informed that all authorizations for examination for appointment were discontinued on April 12.

#### MARYLAND HAS 3-YEAR WHISKEY SUPPLY STORED

BALTIMORE, Sept. 7.—When the law goes into effect tonight prohibiting the manufacture of whiskey during the war there will be in the bonded warehouses in Maryland 12,000,000 gallons of whiskey. It is believed that this will last three years.

All the plants will be shut down after the law goes into effect awaiting the end of the war, and the result of the movement for national prohibition, but not all of the employees will be put out of work, as many will be needed in the bonded warehouses to distribute the liquor. Three of the distilleries in this district will continue working on the manufacture of denatured alcohol.

### GIFTS IN TOBACCO ECLIPSE "VALLEY OF 10,000 SMOKES"

Scientists connected with the National Geographic Society are rejoicing today over the discovery of "The Valley of 10,000 Smokes" in Alaska.

This is very nice. Undoubtedly the news from the far Northwest gives the scientists cause for unbounded exultation and will thrill them for many moons to come.

#### "Discoveries" Will Continue.

But The Washington Times Tobacco Fund has been discovering "valleys of 10,000 smokes" for American soldiers "over there" every day for the past two weeks. All the indications today are that these discoveries will continue to be made throughout the duration of the war.

And it is not going to be necessary to make any trips to Alaska to discover these valleys. Right here with in the confines of the District of

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